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Priorities for Ballistic Missiles and Satellite Programs

	(1) Current NSC Priority <u>(1/21/56)</u>	(2) Current Defense Priority	(3) * Pro- posed Priority
1. ATLAS Weapons System	Highest	DX -	Highest, as is
2. TITAN Weapons System	Removed from highest August 1, 1957.	DX -	Highest
3 & 4. THOR-JUPITER Weapons System	Ambiguous. Action to combine August 1, 1957, with report on October 1. Action of October 10 - both programs to continue. Believed by Defense still to have highest.	DX -	Highest
5. POLARIS Weapons System	No NSC action.	DX -	Highest
6. Anti-Missile Missile Weapons System	No NSC action.	No Defense priority.	Highest
7-a. Earth Satellite (Vanguard) <del>System</del> JUPITER C)	Program not to interfere with the ICBM and IREM, but with sufficient priority to achieve launching within IGY.	DX	<i>Highest</i>
7-b. Satellite Program (Other than Vanguard) (reconnaissance satellite; inflatable sphere; lunar vehicle)	No NSC action.	No Defense priority.	Highest

Dwight D. Eisenhower: Papers as  
President of the United States,  
1953-61 (Ann Whitman File)

\* Defense Suggestion:

"Highest research and development priority including  
achievement of an approved operational objective."

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Alternate Suggestion:

"Highest priority for research and development,  
and for achieving operational capability, as  
determined by the President."

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